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Subject:

Draft 2015 Annual Report for Habitat Management and Environmental Monitoring at

the Smoky Canyon Mine Tailings Impoundments

Dear Wayne:

On behalf of the J.R. Simplot Company, this letter presents the Draft 2015 Annual Report for Habitat Management and Environmental Monitoring at the Smoky Canyon Mine Tailings Impoundments.

We appreciate your input on this report. Please contact Rachel Roskelley (208-873-3720) or me (303-442-0267) with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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